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ACCEPTANCE STANDARDS FOR THE MAINTENANCE, OVERHAUL AND REPAIR OF SECOND-HAND IMPORTED AIRCRAFT

1 For some years difficulty has been experienced in establishing compliance with the Board's requirements in respect of the maintenance, overhaul and repair on the acceptance of second-hand aircraft imported into the United Kingdom. Examples are as follows:—

- 1.1 Repairs having been embodied without supporting records to establish compliance with an approved scheme or manual acceptable to either the Board or other Airworthiness Authority.
- 1.2 Modifications having been embodied without adequate records to indicate the source of approval and the organisation responsible for installation.
- 1.3 Doubt as to the extent of compliance with the Board's maintenance schedule requirements, particularly those relating to major inspections or overhaul work which ensure the structural integrity of the aircraft (such as de-sealing of the integral fuel tanks) and the relation of component and accessory overhaul periods to those approved by the Board.

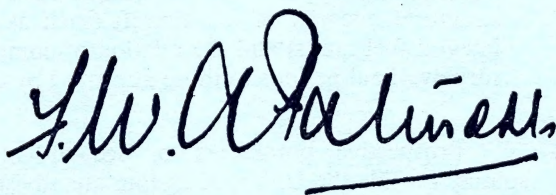
2 Prospective purchasers of second-hand aircraft from sources outside the United Kingdom are advised that, in future, before a Certificate of Airworthiness is issued in respect of an imported second-hand aircraft, the Board will require to be satisfied that:—

- (i) Repairs and modifications comply with corresponding British Civil Airworthiness Requirements and that, if this cannot be established, satisfactory supporting records

are available from an acceptable source such as the original manufacturer, other Airworthiness Authority, or a suitably approved Design Organisation in this country.

- (ii) Major inspections and overhauls have been carried out and all appropriate Airworthiness Directives complied with at, or within, those periods approved by the Board. When determining the period at which any requirement of the Board's maintenance schedule is due, the time at which the requirement was last done must be used as the basis of assessment.
 - (iii) Maintenance, Overhaul, Repair and Crew Manuals have been amended as necessary to correspond with the physical standard of the aircraft, and if the aircraft is of a type not previously certificated on the United Kingdom Register two copies of each manual should be lodged with the Board.
- 3 The above should be taken into account when negotiating the purchase of second-hand aircraft intended to be imported into the United Kingdom.
- 4 **Cancellation** This Notice cancels A.R.B. Notice No. 18, Issue 1, dated 1st January, 1965, which should be destroyed.

By Order of the Board,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. W. A. Sturges', is written over a horizontal line.

Secretary.

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